

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

AFI 1743
ZWW

Applicant: Volker Lehmann

Examiner: Brian R. Gordon

Serial No.: 09/867,830

Group Art Unit: 1743

Filed: May 30, 2001

Docket No.: 3035.12-US-W1

Title: ARRANGEMENT FOR TAKING UP LIQUID ANALYTES

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper(s), as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on June 30, 2005.

Mary Johnston
Name

Mary Johnston
Signature

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

- ☒ Petition for one Month Extension of Time and check in the amount of \$120.00
- ☒ Amendment and Response to Office Action (6 pages)
- ☒ Copy of Concise Statement of Relevance (copy)
- ☒ One Replacement Sheet and one Annotated Sheet of Drawings numbered 2/3 for FIGS. 2 and 3
- ☒ Transmittal Sheet
- ☒ Return postcard

Authorization is hereby given to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments that may be deemed necessary to Deposit Account Number 50-1038.

Respectfully submitted,

Altera Law Group, LLC
Customer No. 22865

Date: June 30, 2005

By:

Jeffrey R. Stone
Jeffrey R. Stone
Reg. No. 47,976
JRS/mej



Serial No. 09/867,830

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Volker Lehmann Examiner: Elizabeth S. Quan
Serial No.: 09/867830 Group Art Unit: 1743
Filed: May 30, 2001 Docket No.: 3035.12-US-W1
Title: ARRANGEMENT FOR TAKING UP LIQUID ANALYTES

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this document is being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on February 1, 2005.

Mary Johnston *Mary Johnston*
Name Signature

CONCISE STATEMENT OF RELEVANCE UNDER 37 CFR 1.98(A)(3)

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 2, 2004, Applicant provides herewith a concise statement of relevance, as follows:

1. DE238444 (intended to be the patent publication DD 238444 A1) describes a dosing device for carrying out chemical analyses and for dosing in microtitre and submicrotitre regions. The dosing device allows the sucking and/or emitting of pre-defined liquid or gas amounts from or into a plurality of wells by means of a multiple dose pipette arrangement. However, in our understanding, DE239444 A1 is silent about any analysis chip that is located in the flow path of the analyte from the well into the pipette and into the chamber or from the chamber into the pipette and into the respective well between the pipette and the chamber.

2. DE 19700626 A1 described a method for feeding probe materials from a probe providing place to a probe receiving place by means of a probe feeding member and provides the steps that the probe feeding member comprises at least one material portion made of porous material wherein the pores have such a size that the probe material is held in the porous material in liquid phase due to capillary forces during the probe provision by means of the probe processing device.
3. EP 0296348 A1 describes an etched method for manufacturing wire openings or trenches in n-doped silicon.


Respectfully submitted,

Altera Law Group, LLC
Customer No. 22865

Date: _____

2/1/05

By: _____


Jeffrey R. Stone
Reg. No. 47,976
JRS/MEJ